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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Bridge 2 Broadband is critical for my business and school work that I do here in a rural area. Local broadband providers are so critical for my work, as higher prices would put me out of business. When the bigger operators in this field gain control, prices go up and the small businesses like me go out of business. So help us to save competitive telecom!!

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